Agarbathi Factory in Chintamani Taluk.

Q.—560. Sri M. C. ANJANEYA REDDY (Chintamani).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Agarbathi Factories in Chintamani Town ;

(*b*) whether "factory licence' is being given to these factories ;

(*c*) whether it has come to their notice that T.B. is being contacted by many of the labourers working there for want of ventilation the said factories being situated in the centre of the town ? (The facts and figures pertaining to the said T.B. disease may kindly be got from the Hospital of this town)?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) About 12.

(*b*) Two Factories have been issued with licenses.

(*c*) No.

Non-gazetted officers of Revenue Department (stoppage of increments).

Q.—562. Sri M. C. ANJANEYA REDDY (Chintamani).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of cases of the Revenue Department in which increments have not been given in spite of the existence of a Government Order directing sanction of increments to temporary and permanent non-gazetted officers for the period from 1st January 1947 to 15th June 1954 even though they had not passed the departmental tests :

(*b*) the reasons for not giving increments ;

(*c*) whether they would issue a Government Order directing the extension of the period required to pass the departmental tests at least by another three years, as the period fixed previously for the purpose in G.O. No. R. 12440-51—L.R. 510-52-1, dated 17th December 1952 expired on 15th June 1954 ;

(*d*) whether it has come to their notice that some of the officials of the Revenue Department could not get the benefit of two increments due to their service falling short by a few months to complete five years on 1st January 1947 (1st January 1947 being the date of allocation) ;

(*e*) whether they would grant exemption to those whose service was less by six months to complete five years on 1st January 1947 and allow them the benefit of getting two increments ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) (1) The number of cases in which increments have not been granted is given below :—

Bangalore	...	Not readily available.
Kolar	...	85
Tumkur	...	24
Mandya	...	Not readily available.
Mysore	...	Do
Hassan	...	16
Chickmagalur	...	46
Shimoga	...	43
Chitaldrug	...	34

(2) There is no Government Order directing the sanction of increments from 1st January 1947 to 15th June 1954 to officials who have not passed the Departmental tests.

(3) Prior to 1st April 1952, officials of the Revenue Department were not entitled to increments in their grade pay irrespective of their length of service, unless their tenure of appointment was changed from 'acting' to 'S.P.T.' or were given permenent liens. The officials were required to pass the departmental examinations before their tenure of appointment could be changed to sub-pro-tem or substantive in their appointments.

(4) Government in their order of 15th June 1951 have given three years' time to officials who are already in service to pass the prescribed tests during which period they have been allowed increments. Officials who were holding S.P.T. or permanent tenures have been allowed increments during this period though they had not passed